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<ol> <li>Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on <u>23 April 2008</u>.</li> <li>(a) ☐ A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated ), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on</li> <li>(b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.</li> </ol>					
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(d) ☐ No reply has been received.					
<ul> <li>2.  Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).</li> <li>(a)  The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).</li> </ul>					
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6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interfere of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claim		e the period for seeking court review			
7. The reason(s) below:					
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